

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re patent application of

DEC 08 2003

JC34 Yuki Matsuoka

Serial No.: 10/614,153

Filed: July 8, 2003

Group Art Unit: 2837

Examiner: Not known

For: ELECTRIC POWER STEERING APPARATUS

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 through §1.99 and pursuant to applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, applicant respectfully brings the following documents, cited in the European Search Report and listed on the attached form PTO-1449, to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. Copies of the listed documents are provided herewith for the convenience of the Examiner.

This citation does not constitute an admission that the references are relevant or material to the claims. They are only cited as constituting related art of which the applicant is aware.

I hereby certify that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was the first citation of that item by a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, which occurred not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

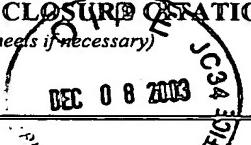
It is respectfully requested that the listed references be considered by the Examiner and formally made of record in this application.

Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully submitted,

Sean M. McGinn
Registration No.: 34,386

Date: 12/8/03
McGinn & Gibb, PLLC
8321 Old Courthouse Road, Suite 200
Vienna, VA 22182-3817
(703) 761-4100
Customer No. 21254

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION <i>(Use several sheets if necessary)</i>				Docket Number (Optional) K06-159168M/TBS		Application Number 10/614,153		
				Applicant(s) Yuki Matsuoka				
				Filing Date July 8, 2003		Group Art Unit 2837		
U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS								
*EXAMINER INITIAL	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	TRADE	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS								
REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	Translation		
						YES	NO	
	EP 1 170 196 A2	06/22/01	EUROPE					
OTHER DOCUMENTS <i>(Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)</i>								
		European Search Report dated November 3, 2003.						
EXAMINER				DATE CONSIDERED				
EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP Section 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.								